

Title:	Sketches of the Battle Fields of Ontario from the War of 1812, July 15, 1876		
Creator:	C.J. Dyer		
Dates of Material:	July 15, 1876	Record Group Number:	RG 415
Summary of Contents:	<p>One page of sketches illustrating the battle fields of Ontario from the War of 1812. The page has been removed from the July 15, 1876 issue of the Canadian Illustrated News and mounted on a cardboard mat. Included are sketches of the Battle Field of Lundy's Lane and Village of Drummondville, the Battle Field of Stony Creek, Old Fort George Niagara and the Battle Field of Beaver Dams. The original black and white sketches have been coloured with watercolours.</p>		
Physical Description / Condition:	41 x 30.5 cm.		
Other Notes:	<p>Accompanying caption from the Canadian Illustrated News, July 15, 1876:</p> <p>"We publish today a page of sketches consisting of the following battle fields in Ontario :--Lundy's Lane where, without doubt, the hardest fought battle of 1812-15 took place, and in which more troops were engaged than in any other engagement of that war : the battle field of Stony Creek where the Canadians and Indians made a night attack on the Americans and achieved a victory over a greatly superior force and obliged the Americans to retreat back to the shelter of Old Fort George which was the scene of many engagements during the war. Beaver Dam battle field is just in the suburbs of the thriving village of Thorold, and the monument covers the remains of several soldiers whose bodies were unearthed during the building of the new Welland Canal at that place."</p> <p>Czar James Dyer (1846-1903), commonly known as C.J. Dyer, was an American artist and cartographer. During the 1870's he worked for various Canadian publishers. His sketches and lithographs can be found in the Canadian County Atlases and the Canadian Illustrated News.</p>		
Location:	Brock University Archives		

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